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A spiritual lesson from arithmetic

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As he grows up, a child learns to recognize numbers. A little later he learns to combine them; eight and four make twelve. Perhaps simultaneously he learns that twelve less four leaves eight. One day he is confronted by *eight take away twelve*. A bright child may say, “I can’t do it. Eight isn’t big enough.”

About this time the teacher may explain that if the thermometer reads 8 degrees and the temperature goes down 12 degrees the thermometer will then read 4 degrees below zero, or minus 4 degrees. Or if you buy an article that costs ten dollars and you find you only have eight dollars, you will owe two dollars. In this way the child begins to grasp the concept of negative numbers.

But negative quantity is not confined to arithmetic. For example, if one manifests abundant health, but begins to lose it, he may end up with minus health, called sickness. Again, if one

possesses great wealth but is subject to misfortune or indulges carelessness or extravagance, he may eventually arrive at negative wealth, which is called poverty.

We appear to live in a world made up of positives and negatives. The ultimate of such a philosophy rests on the belief that God—good—has an opposite—devil, evil. That seems to be the predicament in which humanity finds itself.

Logically, however, if something is infinite, its supposed opposite isn't anything. If something is real and all, its opposite is unreal. If one has real health—the eternal truth of man—its opposite is unreal. Because the totality of goodness is real, its opposite—called evil—is unreal. Because ever-present Spirit is real, its opposite—called matter—is unreal. And this line of reasoning leads inevitably to the conclusion that an omnipotent God, good, has no opposite.

Mary Baker Eddy, the Discoverer and Founder of Christian Science, recognized Mind—good—as the real. Here is one of many citations in which she rejects evil's supposed reality: "Matter and Mind are opposites. One is contrary to the other in its very nature and essence; hence both cannot be real. If one is real, the other must be unreal."¹

A careful thinker may readily admit the correctness of this logical conclusion, but to make it practical is more challenging.

Why? Because our physical senses are constantly reporting to us evidence corresponding to the positive-negative concept. Our sight and hearing give us evidence of what seems to be sickness and health, poverty and wealth, evil and good; and according to their evidence both seem real.

Why do we so habitually accept the evidence of the physical senses? I have asked myself this repeatedly. I know Copernicus nearly five hundred years ago proved that the earth rotates, but the physical senses still tell me a different story when I view a sunset or sunrise. Our eyes report the *appearance*. And mortal thought interprets incorrectly what our eyes see.

Do we think we see sick people, unhappy people, bad people? But sick, unhappy, bad, are the opposites of healthy, happy, and good, and accordingly these conditions are illusions. Mrs. Eddy, in listing various aspects of the contrast between Truth and er-

ror, writes: "Moreover, Truth is real, and error is unreal. This last statement contains the point you will most reluctantly admit, although first and last it is the most important to understand."² She also tells us: "Jesus of Nazareth was the most scientific man that ever trod the globe. He plunged beneath the material surface of things, and found the spiritual cause."³

Jesus was not fooled by appearances. With spiritual perception he looked through the false evidence and saw the truth. A leper once came to Jesus and said: "If thou wilt, thou canst make me clean." The account continues, "And Jesus, moved with compassion, put forth his hand, and touched him, and saith unto him, I will; be thou clean."⁴ And the man was healed.

It is possible to begin seeing the fact right where the illusion seems to be. This is not done by shutting our eyes to evil suggestion and saying or thinking, "It is nothing." Persistent spiritual discernment and practice are needed.

Christian Science is bringing about many healings similar to those performed by Christ Jesus. Several years ago I was troubled with a lump on my body. It grew rapidly and became painful. After praying about the condition and making only a little progress, I asked a Christian Science practitioner to help me. We prayed. A short time after asking for help I visited the practitioner in her office. A quarter of an hour later I walked out of the office completely and permanently healed. There wasn't any lump; there wasn't any pain. In reality there never had been. Mortal mind had been suggesting that I believe something my eyes reported, but the report was false because God, Spirit, is the only real substance.

A universe where evil is not real! Today I am learning more and more of the provable nature of that universe—the only one there is.

¹ *Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures*, p. 270; ² *ibid.*, p. 466; ³ *ibid.*, p. 313; ⁴ Mark 1:40, 41.

Lose Mind? Impossible!

HELEN B. CHILDS

Mind, God, does not exist without idea. And idea, man, cannot exist without Mind.

A man was afraid his wife was having a nervous breakdown. When he told a Christian Science practitioner that he thought his wife was losing her mind, the practitioner retorted, "But that's impossible!"

How could this practiced metaphysician be so sure? Because of his scientific certainty that God is divine Mind, inseparable from its idea, man. Man can no more be separated from God than living can be detached from infinite Life. By understanding that the real man is the complete reflection of what divine Mind is seeing and knowing of itself, we discern why one can never really "lose his mind," his faculties, or even his life. Mrs. Eddy explains in *Science and Health*: "Man is the expression of God's being. If there ever was a moment when man did not express the divine perfection, then there was a moment when man did not express God, and consequently a time when Deity was unexpressed—that is, without entity. If man has lost perfection, then he has lost his perfect Principle, the divine Mind."¹

The very heart of Christian Science is the spiritual unity of God and man, forever one in being, yet distinct as cause and effect. But this needs to be demonstrated. We have to prove, give evidence, in our daily living that man is the perfect expression of God. How essential, then, to understand God as the divine Principle of being and to find the perfection that is ours by reflection!

Mrs. Eddy once illustrated to a student the importance of understanding reflection. She asked the student to think of herself standing in front of a mirror. Mrs. Eddy pointed out that before

a hole or a pin could show on the dress reflected in the mirror, the original would have to include a hole or a pin. Then, as the student recalls, Mrs. Eddy explained, "Now if God were conscious of sickness, sin, and death, we could never expect to overcome them, for the divine consciousness does not change, and we could never remove from the reflection that which is in the original." ²

God is Spirit. He knows nothing of sin, sickness, and death. He knows only His own perfection and sees only His own glory. Therefore, the real man is God's crowning reflection, expressing the undiminishing capacity and ability of his Mind, God.

Small wonder the Christian Science practitioner was so positive that man can never lose his Mind! Knowing that Mind constitutes its idea, the practitioner realized that the qualities of comprehension, perspicacity, and conscious being are forever intact, always expressed in man, God's idea. With the practitioner's help, the man understood this too, and through prayer his wife was quickly healed.

The belief of life in matter would water down our God-reflected endowments. It persistently drips into thought the mesmeric suggestion that we live in a material body and that matter is needed for acting and knowing. If we don't turn off this lie, it inundates us with insinuations of deterioration. It intimidates with hints that time is ticking away on us. But, as Mrs. Eddy writes, "Divine Science shows it to be impossible that a material body, though interwoven with matter's highest stratum, misnamed mind, should be man,—the genuine and perfect man, the immortal idea of being, indestructible and eternal." ³

Accepting man's unity with God, as the reflection of God, enables us to experience unfailing good. Sight will not become dim when we spiritually discern all-seeing Soul. Nor will hearing fade when we perceive all-hearing Mind. Man's continuing well-being in Spirit reflects the Life that is divine.

Is not this the great lesson of the Master's resurrection? Christ Jesus proved that he lived in God, his divine Life, as an example for you and me. He promised, "I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly." ⁴ Abun-

dant life means more joyous awareness of good, more spiritual perception, more understanding of God. Can we ever lose our conscious ability to know and express infinite Life? That's impossible!

¹ *Science and Health*, p. 470; ² *We Knew Mary Baker Eddy*, Third Series (Boston: The Christian Science Publishing Society, 1953), p. 75; ³ *Science and Health*, p. 477; ⁴ John 10:10.

Home protection

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We hear a great deal about systems designed to protect our homes from fire and burglary. What is our response? Do we accept the claim that such devices can ensure our safety? They may be useful; but are we alert to recognize the primary importance—and practicality—of conscientious prayer to guard our homes?

Intelligent prayer for the place we call home includes the recognition that our true home is wholly spiritual in nature, for it is heaven, harmony. We find home in the consciousness of our unity with God, our Father and Mother. This home is free from destruction, robbery, or intrusion.

Destructive fire is disorderly. It has no place in the universe of Principle, God, which is characterized by perfect order that permits no destructive element.

Burglary, likewise, does not go on in God's good, spiritual universe. The divine fact is that there is no reason or temptation for one of His children to take from another, since our Father supplies everyone with all he needs. Realizing the spiritual truth that God impartially provides for all helps to protect our homes from robbery and our fellowman from stealing.

Our spiritually mental home is characterized by peace and

beauty, comfort and joy. As qualities such as these are recognized and expressed, they are objectified in a habitation that is well suited to our needs. And this more spiritually based environment is protected from intrusions that no mere warning system could prevent.

Sometimes others may find it more convenient to enjoy *our* home than to make their own. Of course there are times when it is loving and right to share our home with others; but we should be sure that such sharing, especially if it is to be on a permanent basis, will bless all concerned.

How can we protect our home from unprincipled intrusion or from the imposition of frequent, often unnecessary calls? It is not loving to make it easy for someone to do the wrong thing. It certainly is not God's will—or even a possibility in His kingdom—that one of His children be imposed upon in order that another may be provided for. As we stick to the divine fact that our real home is heaven, undisturbed, this becomes a law in our human experience. God provides amply for all His ideas, and each of us can know and prove it.

Christ Jesus enunciated a deific law that is helpful to us in such a situation. After Jesus had multiplied the few loaves and fishes to feed the crowds who came to him, many of those who were evidently impressed by that dramatic demonstration of material abundance followed after him. Then Jesus was moved to say, "No man can come to me, except the Father which hath sent me draw him."¹ We, too, can invoke that law here and now.

Jesus also said, "All that the Father giveth me shall come to me; and him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out."² Is not this a statement of true hospitality?

A woman I know had to protect her home from intrusion. A friend who had recently lost her position stopped by, announcing that she had no funds and that she would have to move into the woman's apartment.

The woman, a Christian Scientist, was greatly disturbed. She felt it unwise to share her small apartment with her friend. As she prayed for guidance, she was directed to this statement by Mrs. Eddy: "The real house in which 'we live, and move, and

have our being' is Spirit, God, the eternal harmony of infinite Soul. The enemy we confront would overthrow this sublime fortress, and it behooves us to defend our heritage." Then Mrs. Eddy tells us how we can accomplish this: "By intrenching ourselves in the knowledge that our true temple is no human fabrication, but the superstructure of Truth, reared on the foundation of Love, and pinnacled in Life. Such being its nature, how can our godly temple possibly be demolished, or even disturbed?"³

Although Mrs. Eddy is referring to Church, the woman saw that the same truths could be applied to her home. Realizing that she must gain a higher concept of home, she began to let go the mental picture of a small human habitation. She glimpsed the fact that her real home was with her Father-Mother God and was spiritual, unlimited, not subject to intrusion. Joyfully acknowledging that a loving, affluent Parent provides for all His children, she realized that in truth her friend was always cherished, always wanted, always cared for, and supplied with everything she needed. God does not deprive one in order to take care of another!

She regained her peace. Time went on, and her friend never again mentioned moving in. Obviously, the need was cared for in some other way, for she rented a nearby apartment. They were neighbors for several years, and their friendship remained intact.

If we recognize that our home is actually spiritual and under the care of Almighty God, isn't this the most effective protection we can possibly have?

¹ John 6:44; ² v. 37; ³ *Pulpit and Press*, pp. 2-3.

*Owe no man any thing,
but to love one another:
for he that loveth another hath fulfilled the law. . . .
Love worketh no ill to his neighbour:
therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.*

Romans 13:8, 10

Have a good vacation

BARBARA-JEAN STINSON

Who doesn't love the promise of a vacation—even a few days away from job demands? A period of well-deserved relaxation has a natural place for many people. These periods should be pleasant times, filled with opportunities for expressing love and for the refreshing enjoyment of God-inspired activities, quiet opportunities for thoughtful reflection. But those free times don't always turn out that way. What is it that would rob us of the joy we can bring to these times of relaxation?

Isn't it a mistaken estimate of what contentment really is? Materially based thinking would try to impose on us the belief that we cannot be really happy unless we are conforming to its standards of contentment. It usually presents two alternatives: time-wasting inactivity or energy-wasting overactivity.

Neither inactivity nor overactivity can actually provide the rest and joy a good vacation or a few days away from work are expected to bring. Restful activity has its source in God, the Giver of all good. We find it in the measure we identify ourselves as God's expressions. For instance, thinking of ourselves as mortals needing a change of pace, something different, to experience true relaxation, is failing to appreciate the good already ours as God's ideas. We're not really lacking, tired, lonely mortals who need someone or something "out there" for refreshment and renewal. Man, our true identity, is the full expression of the divine Mind, God. We need to appreciate man's unity with God; then we will begin to know and enjoy all the characteristics of a God-governed life.

One of these characteristics is continually refreshing peace and satisfaction. Mrs. Eddy tells us in *Science and Health*, "God's being is infinity, freedom, harmony, and boundless bliss."¹ In truth we are the expression of God and reflect the qualities of His being. God is always supplying His reflection, man, with in-

finite ideas characterized by enjoyment and harmonious activity. But if we have not yet discovered man's unity with God, we may feel vague discontent when away from our regularly demanding work. This feeling indicates a demand to grow spiritually, to use leisure time more productively.

To the individual searching for a better understanding of life, self-indulgent activity is far from rewarding. Whether one whiles away his time napping on the couch or anxiously pursues an illusive ideal called "the good life," he cannot forever ignore the basic fact that man's true purpose is to bear witness to the goodness and all-inclusive presence of God.

We ultimately become dissatisfied with time-wasting pursuits because such activity is so inconsistent with what we really are. God's whole nature is expressed in spiritually uplifting activity. To be happy, to feel satisfied and refreshed, we must *express* the vitality and vigor of God-impelled right ideas. This is why it's difficult to imagine Jesus' ever being bored. He was always honestly occupied, always allowing himself to be governed by his Father, divine Mind. His work undoubtedly satisfied and rested him.

This doesn't mean that a period of purely social enjoyment is wrong. Gathering friends together for a party or an afternoon of tennis or swimming may represent a marvelous expression of God's love in our lives. And those activities will be truly refreshing if they spring from our desire to express God in all we do. "Enjoying good things is not evil," Mrs. Eddy writes, "but becoming slaves to pleasure is."²

We become "slaves to pleasure" by thinking we must personally make ourselves happy through some human activity. It isn't necessary to work so hard to be contented. When we gain a genuine awareness of our unity with God and live it, contentment becomes natural.

A young woman discovered how to feel more consistently, naturally content. She had grown up in a bustling, happy home where weekend vacations were filled with family dinners, trips to the beach, drives in the country. Circumstances changed; she could no longer look forward to that type of event, and things seemed pretty lonely. To compensate, she willfully tried to "do

something” to fill the boredom of long Sunday afternoons. The results were far from satisfying—money spent unnecessarily and precious time away from home wasted.

Gradually the truths she found in Christian Science began to take hold. Active involvement in a branch Church of Christ, Scientist, had always been an essential part of her weekend. But now she saw that her activities needed to be based more upon the *demonstration* of the true sense of Church. Mrs. Eddy has described this spiritual ideal in *Science and Health* as “the structure of Truth and Love; whatever rests upon and proceeds from divine Principle.”³ The young woman began asking herself, “Is this activity really based or structured upon the divine ideal of Truth and Love? Am I sure this idea for a weekend activity ‘rests upon and proceeds from divine Principle’?” She also asked God to show her the really good Life—divine Life!

While praying to silence human willfulness, she listened for God’s direction as to how her weekend should be structured. Sometimes it occurred to her to take a brief trip, see a play, or have friends in for dinner. But more often came the desire for quietness, for time to think deeply. As a result, quietness and contentment seeped into the corners of her consciousness and then of her household. Happy, loving activities didn’t cease, but the human mind’s frantic demands to have a good time completely disappeared, as well as the accompanying loneliness when there wasn’t anything special to do. The good life became the joyous, satisfying life that proceeded from her active demonstration of church.

We can all have mental collectedness, rest, and enjoyment in the proportion our activity is spiritually impelled. As we endeavor to live the Christly qualities of unselfishness, self-discipline, and meekness, vague feelings of restlessness will disappear. Then we’ll feel a touch of what Christ Jesus meant when he said, “Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.”⁴

¹ *Science and Health*, p. 481; ² *The First Church of Christ, Scientist, and Miscellany*, p. 197;

³ *Science and Health*, p. 583; ⁴ Matt. 11:28.

For the convenience of some readers we will occasionally print an article in large type.

On the alert!

FEROL AUSTEN

Many of us are familiar with the old trick of two people tossing a coin into the air to settle some matter, and one saying quickly, "Heads, I win—tails, you lose!" It sounds all right until you give it a second thought.

Mortal mind and evil suggestions are tricky too. Not that this false mentality and its suggestions are actual entities and able to harm us. They are merely (and not so merely) a conglomeration of false beliefs. These beliefs would blur our recognition of the spiritual truths that are the basis of our health and happiness and that give us the inspiration and energy to accomplish what God has set for us to do.

Christ Jesus warned, "Beware of false

prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves." ¹

We have to be constantly alert to denounce evil suggestions if they suddenly appear in our thought. They have to be quickly stifled with our knowledge of the allness, omnipotence, omnipresence, and omniscience of God. Then they can't poison our mental atmosphere. "You must control evil thoughts in the first instance," writes Mrs. Eddy, "or they will control you in the second." How many times has this very thing happened to us? But we should remember something else Mrs. Eddy says: "Evil thoughts and aims reach no farther and do no more harm than one's belief permits." ²

How far are our own material beliefs allowing evil to reach? Reflecting divine Love, we'll stop offering a fertile field to the weeds of selfishness, egotism, envy,

self-pity. Embracing divine Principle, we'll not allow our integrity to become even slightly diluted. We need to make sure our course is well charted by daily study and prayer so that we don't suddenly find ourselves foundering on the shoals of reckless human will and unexpected emergencies.

Sometimes we may not even be aware of disruptive or undermining thoughts and may be taken in with that slick trick, "Heads, I win—tails, you lose!" Indeed, we can only lose with false beliefs that may look attractive and expedient.

We may be fooled into thinking that God isn't quite adequate at the present to sustain and maintain us, and that we can afford spirituality at a more convenient time. But Mrs. Eddy writes: "There is no power apart from God. Omnipotence has all-power, and to acknowledge any other power is to dishonor God." ³ Do we

understand what God's omnipotence means? Do we see its ramifications in our lives? Are we really trying to grow in understanding?

Daily alertness comes from continual study and a deep desire to live the truths we learn and acknowledge. It isn't so much being on the lookout for evil as it is accepting and valuing the enormous good that is already ours. It means learning to *recognize* goodness for what it is—God's gift to man. Along with seeing through false beliefs it means affirming the perfection of God and man.

If we are continually developing and using our inherent spiritual sense and consistently relying on God for guidance, then nothing can confuse us or keep us from realizing and daily demonstrating God's goodness and love.

¹ Matt. 7:15; ² *Science and Health*, p. 234; ³ *ibid.*, p. 228.

Desegregation, discrimination, and the law of Love

Twenty-five years ago the United States Supreme Court made a historic decision abolishing segregation in public schools. Its decision inaugurated a period of social reform in the U.S., shattering legal underpinnings of racial discrimination. It also encouraged more genuine acceptance of the equality of blacks and whites. Many problems in this area remain unresolved, however; the momentum of reform may be slowing. In other countries such as Zimbabwe Rhodesia and South Africa—albeit under different circumstances—the demand for equality has brought soul-searching.

Humanity progresses spiritually as it perceives more clearly the nature of God to be impartial Love, the Father and Mother of all. After discussing the increasingly spiritual significance of the biblical term “Lord,” Mrs. Eddy adds: “This human sense of Deity yields to the divine sense, even as the material sense of personality yields to the incorporeal sense of God and man as the infinite Principle and infinite idea,—as one Father with His universal family, held in the gospel of Love.”¹

Almost two thousand years ago another decision affecting social integration was made, one even more far-reaching in its results than the Court decision. People today might say initially the disciple Peter was a racist. To him, strict avoidance of Gentiles was simply part of being a pious Jew.

But necessary to Peter’s—indeed, the world’s—spiritual growth was the recognition that to infinite Spirit no individual lacks sonship with God. Once when Peter prayed, divine Love revealed that he should not call “any man common or unclean.”² As a result, Peter met with a group of Romans, headed

by Cornelius, "a devout man" and a centurion. Peter then preached Christ to them and directed that they be baptized.

When Jewish Christians later challenged him, Peter ended an explanation of his actions by demanding, "What was I, that I could withstand God?"³ Their decision to welcome Gentile converts helped pave the way for the early Church's astonishing growth and illustrated the impact one healing of discrimination can have on the course of history.

By praying to know Love as infinite Principle, originating, patterning, and sustaining all spiritual selfhood, we lose a sense of ourselves as culturally conditioned material personalities. We see that the false mentality that evaluates man in material terms and accordingly reacts with mere human emotion is not our true mind, not the Mind that is Love. Then we, like Peter, find that racist beliefs cannot "withstand God." We feel our inclusion in Love's universal family and recognize everyone else as a kindred manifestation of the infinite Principle Jesus called Father.

Such prayer, like Peter's, can have wide-ranging results. It can help open the door to fairer employment practices, to greater educational and job opportunities for inner-city youth. It will loosen the collective grip of the apathy, hopelessness, fear, and hate—and the violence they engender—which currently thwart such advances.

Regardless of what may be accomplished by court-ordered busing or affirmative action programs, no merely human steps can fundamentally nullify racism. Lasting constructive social change does not originate in a human mind or group of minds. It comes from the Christ, revealing the truth of man's relation to God and permeating the affections and attitudes of men.

Peter's prayerful communion with God provided the means by which divine Love could crash through his ethnic prejudices and compel the recognition that all God's ideas are equally precious to Him. Such prayer for ourselves and the world will reveal man forever innocent of and unmarred by racial, ethnic, cultural, or religious differences that separate one from another. Man will be found included in God's "universal family," forever enjoying his divine right to unfettered being.

¹ *Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures*, pp. 576-577; ² Acts 10:28; ³ 11:17.

Editorials



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Repelling mental invasion

Should we ever feel that our mental domain is being invaded—even overrun—by woes and worries, we can do something about it. We can do *everything* about it. We can affirm and prove that in the allness of good there are no invasions of evil.

The finite and the infinite are two concepts of tremendous significance in Christian Science. In Science, good is infinite because God is. Substance is infinite because Spirit is. And only what is characterized by infiniteness is real. On the other hand, we see that evil, the opposite of Spirit, is finite, illusive, unreal, nonexistent. And this can be shown to be true in healing and the correction of all discords.

To know what is infinite and what finite is vital when it comes to repelling evil or expelling it from our thought. The scientific truth is that there is nothing to invade the divine infinite. But, we might say, the infinite “invades” and dissolves whatever would oppose it. Understanding this can make a difference to every moment of our lives.

All troubles can be related to the claim that the infinite can be intruded upon by the finite, that evil can trespass on good. When we know that consciousness is inseparable from Mind, or God, we will prove more and more that consciousness can’t be invaded by false and harmful beliefs. We will think more concordantly and live more healingly. The physical body, the expression of human thought, will be increasingly resistant to destructive bacteria or viruses. The comprehension, then, that we are not subject to invasions of evil plays a big part in helping us gain and hold good health.

Mary Baker Eddy gives us this solidly helpful passage: “Chris-

tian Science declares that sickness is a belief, a latent fear, made manifest on the body in different forms of fear or disease. This fear is formed unconsciously in the silent thought, as when you awaken from sleep and feel ill, experiencing the effect of a fear whose existence you do not realize; but if you fall asleep, actually conscious of the truth of Christian Science,—namely, that man's harmony is no more to be invaded than the rhythm of the universe,—you cannot awake in fear or suffering of any sort.”¹

Why do we seem to suffer invasion of injurious beliefs? Often, because we're not willing enough to consistently affirm “that man's harmony is no more to be invaded than the rhythm of the universe.” We let ourselves be trespassed upon by negative beliefs, then complain when we have to battle to get them out. The more spiritually intelligent way is to comprehend and live from the basis that infinite Deity never permits an opponent to arise and attack divine goodness. We should regularly—daily—affirm the all-presence of Deity; and from that base deny place and influence to error. The Bible teaches this again and again.

Error is nonintelligent. It cannot plan strategies against us nor intrude upon the real man. But we can adopt a spiritual “strategy” to repel evil. We can study the Bible and the writings of Mrs. Eddy with keen perception. If we seem to be often engaged in laboriously repelling—or despairingly expelling—false belief, then we might well ask ourselves whether we are often enough affirming the allness of God and negating any claim of opposition to good.

Mental malpractice first of all involves some individual admitting the evil notion that he can think negatively and harmfully about another and so imperil that individual's health or peace. This admission of evil may seem to happen unconsciously. Hence the need for us to alertly affirm the allness and uninvadability of true consciousness, inseparable from Mind. Mental malpractice can seem to work only if the secondary step is taken: the admission by the object of the wrong thinking that evil can be transferred from mind to mind. The cultivation of spiritual qualities—a conscious acceptance of the presence of God—wards off invasive claims. It annuls them. Meta-

physically speaking, evil can find no point, in divine allness, from which to launch an attack. And there are no points, no positions, no places, outside universal good. This is demonstrably true.

Mortal will would sometimes make us invade the rights or lives of others. It would seduce us into taking ourselves where we have no moral right to be. We won't be tempted to be willful invaders of others' affairs if we reject the notion that man is a finite mortal surrounded by other finite mortals, each exposed to interference from others. Our necessary brotherliness—our help and support of others—should be a matter of demonstration. It should be the outcome of our understanding the universality of divine good.

The truth is that man is the immortal idea of divine Love, and divine Love is responsible for each idea. As we comprehend this, we will help where it is proper for us to do so. And we'll also find that we are being helped in the right way, should we have need of assistance.

Explaining the significance of thought and of mental attitudes, Mrs. Eddy says: "All issues of morality, of Christianity, of pleasure, or of pain must come through a correct or incorrect state of thought, since matter is not conscious; then, like a watchman forsaking his post, shall we have no faith in God, in the divine Mind, thus throwing the door wide open to the intruding disease, forgetting that the divine Mind, Truth and Life, can guard the entrance?"² This is a hugely practical analysis of the way thought works for good or evil. It is a strong statement of our need to vigorously affirm that consciousness and man cannot be invaded by evil. As Christ Jesus proved, man is forever the expression of uncontainable God, or good.

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¹ *Retrospection and Introspection*, p. 61; ² *The First Church of Christ, Scientist, and Miscellany*, p. 221.

Consistent healing

Prayer is a potent means of healing. The more thorough and spiritually discerning our prayer, the more consistent our healing work. All those who are daily learning more of God's Christ—His constant impartation of healing truths to human consciousness—are finding that Christian healing is a dependable, even an invariable, power.

Christendom is beginning to awaken to the possibilities of healing through prayer, taught by Christ Jesus and pioneered in this age by Christian Science. There is a need, wherever the Christ-cure is practiced, to so deepen and strengthen our understanding of God that the effects will be increasingly certain.

Divine Science shows us that the effectiveness of prayer, when measured in practical results, does not have to fluctuate like the stock exchange graph. While the quickness and effectiveness of material systems of healing are often uncertain—sinking and rising—the promise of the healing Christ is constant: "Lo, I am with you always."¹

The strongest healer in this age, Mrs. Eddy, the Discoverer of Christian Science, vividly describes the obligation of practitioner to patient: "Less teaching and good healing is to-day the acme of 'well done;' a healing that is not guesswork,—chronic recovery ebbing and flowing,—but instantaneous cure."² This is an attainable goal. Jesus, by example, gave evidence that the effect of Christ can be definite and consistent.

How do we increase the consistency and promptness of our healing work? We approach this challenge just the way we resolve other needs: strong, clear affirmations of spiritual fact—intelligent, thorough denunciation of mortal belief. The clarity of our view of God is central to our ability to heal consistently. When our concept of Deity becomes fuzzy, we need to assert the truths that accurately describe Him and throw out the impressions that don't adequately represent Him. The clearer our understanding of God, the more constantly we'll find good in every avenue of our lives.

The Bible and Mrs. Eddy's writings, especially her major

work, *Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures*, are filled with truths that not only give us deeper insight into the nature of God but also show clearly what He is not. Sometimes statements or illustrations challenge worn-out ways of thinking of God—force us to sharpen our vision of the meaning of divinity. If, for instance, we think of God as changeable, partial, incompetent, unmerciful—or unconsciously allow false concepts of Him to develop—then we may find such attitudes reflected in our healing work. Mrs. Eddy writes: “If changeableness that repenteth itself; partiality that elects some to be saved and others to be lost, or that answers the prayer of one and not of another; if incompetency that cannot heal the sick, or lack of love that will not; if unmercifulness, that for the sins of a few tired years punishes man eternally,—are our conceptions of Deity, we shall bring out these qualities of character in our own lives and extend their influence to others.”³

God is changeless. He never changes from good to evil, from evil to good. This isn’t to say that a finitely personal God somewhere, out away from us, always maintains a particular attitude. God is Spirit. He is All. This means that creation, instead of being material—a creation of limitation—is actually the total expression of Spirit. And because God is Mind, all being is the intelligent activity of infinite, divine consciousness. Perfection pervades every facet of reality. It is changeless—the constant unfoldment of good. Our understanding of this unchanging nature of God brings an enduring steadiness into our lives—even into our healing work.

God is impartial. His presence embraces each individual equally, fully. His goodness never excludes—anyone, ever. The belief that He excludes some of His children would interfere with a proper understanding of the real essence of divine Love—Love that is all-inclusive—never receding.

God is always able to meet our needs. Incompetency lies not with God but with limited beliefs about His unending goodness. But when we suppose that for some reason God’s power is not effective in a given case, we are actually attributing incompetency to Deity—because He is the *only* cause. As we embrace a humble admission that God is omnipotent—that noth-

ing is impossible to Him—a narrow view of God will be lost. And so will the discord.

God is merciful. The essence of Spirit is to bless—never to condemn. The allness of perfection condemns its supposed opposite, evil, but permanently sustains its idea, man. Mercy is the blessing we have by awaking to the fact that God is unchanging Love.

Every restrictive view of God must give way to eternal fact. As our concepts of God lose their limitations, our practice of healing will gain consistency. Healing is an impartial gift. It's a spiritual gift, and it measures mankind's developing realization of God's allness. The essence of the gift does not vary. Our acceptance and practice of the gift need not vary. And they won't as we realize that its *source* is invariable. The Bible assures us, "Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning."⁴

Consistency in healing grows stronger as our love for God grows stronger. The closer we acknowledge the bond to be between ourselves and God, the more we find changeless, impartial, competent, and merciful elements predominant in our healing work.

Because the final truth of being is utterly consistent, never varying from perfection, our submission to it will be increasingly recognized in healing.

NATHAN A. TALBOT

¹ Matt. 28:20; ² *Miscellaneous Writings*, p. 355; ³ *The People's Idea of God*, p. 8; ⁴ James 1:17.

Graduation party

Joanne Mazna Garinger

Something's wrong, Jordie told herself.

From the minute Kevin had revved up the car and headed for the graduation party, she had tried to make friendly conversation. But he was tense, brusque, his mind not on her.

He lit a cigarette, and she began to feel still more uneasy. Somehow he seemed so different from the boy she'd known casually in chemistry lab.

At last he pulled to a stop behind a string of parked cars. "We're here," he announced coolly.

We're where? Jordie peered into the dark, unfamiliar neighborhood. Music, then laughter, drifted through the trees from both sides of the street.

"Party's over there." Pointing vaguely, he reached into the back seat and dumped a case of beer onto the front. "Help yourself. My brother bought it."

"Uh . . . no, thanks. Not me." She was unprepared, all stammers. She'd made up her mind about alcohol—it was definitely out. It didn't really help you be yourself, she'd decided, not the real selfhood Christian Science was helping her discover.

But tonight didn't seem a good time to talk about Christian Science versus alcohol. It was enough that they were minors. Having a case of beer was illegal, and getting caught would be humiliating.

Kevin grabbed four cans of beer and got out. "I'll be right back. Got to say hi to some of the guys."

"I don't want to stay here with this beer," she protested, trying to check her anger.

"Don't worry. Just roll up the windows and lock the doors." He vanished into the shadows.

It didn't occur to Jordie to start praying. She mainly thought of Christian Science as a help when she was sick. So she sat there in the dark, confused. The girls who had come with all the

other guys—where were *they*? At the party? Probably. But where *was* the party?

A beer can rocketed through the lilacs and rattled down the walk. Jordie was wondering how far it was to the bus stop when she was startled by a face staring through the window.

"Look, you guys, there's a girl in there!" Jordie recognized Ray and some of his friends, dressed in jeans and white T-shirts and surrounding the car. Party-crashers, obviously.

Surely now was the time to pray, to see the love of God operating right here. No need to let this false dream simmer on. Something urged her to see that only good is real. "We want that," Ray demanded, spotting the beer. "Open up."

Jordie hesitated. "I can't give it to you. It's someone else's."

"Just unroll the window, and let's talk."

"Please go away." She desperately hoped Kevin would reappear. When she refused to roll down the window, Ray doubled up his fist and smashed the glass into a thousand pieces that hung there like a spider's web, glinting in the lamplight.

"Look what you made me do to my hand!" Ray snarled. "OK, fellas, let's roll this car." They moved in. One, two . . . The car began to rock, thumping the pavement rhythmically. *God!* she cried within. If she could just find God! How long had it been since she'd listened for His guidance? How long since she'd prayed? Three days? A week? She felt out of touch with her heavenly Parent and with her own true being.

She fumbled through a few lines from the Lord's Prayer, then some trusty statements from *Science and Health*. But tonight it was just frozen words, not what Christ Jesus or Mrs. Eddy intended, not real prayer at all. True prayer was knowing and feeling the presence of divine Love, the great Principle that creates the universe according to its own perfect nature and controls this creation with absolute goodness and power.

The car was tipping.

Precisely then, a living prayer sprang into her consciousness. It was, quite simply, a question: *Where do you think you are?* And an answer: *Here, in the kingdom of heaven, in God's gentle reality. You've never been anywhere else.*

Feeling divine encouragement, Jordie put her face in her

hands and totally shut out the frightening picture. *I am not in a crisis, a car, a vulnerable body, a threatening place. I am here with my sheltering Principle, safe in the unchallengeable dimension of Spirit, the law-abiding land of Love. The male and female that God makes live in total peace. Not one of God's children can be an enemy of mine.*

Long moments passed. Jordie felt she was traveling from hell to heaven on a beam of light. How absolute God's control! How invincible and permanent her place in God as His expression! She could never wander onto a treacherous path or move out of her God-assigned orbit. *Man's unity with God.* They were always talking about that in Sunday School. Now it really meant something. She felt so utterly God-encircled, so quietly unafraid.

Even the car was still. Slowly looking up, she saw no one, just a tranquil street. As Isaiah says: "Thou shalt seek them, and shalt not find them, even them that contended with thee: they that war against thee shall be as nothing, and as a thing of nought. For I the Lord thy God will hold thy right hand, saying unto thee, Fear not; I will help thee."¹

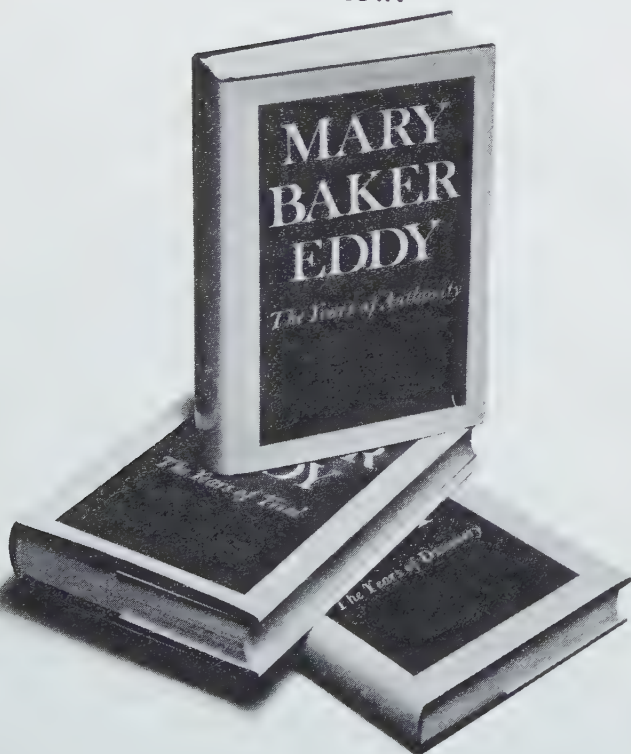
She sat for a while feeling deeply, tangibly cared for by God. Eventually the car door jerked open, and Kevin slid heavily behind the wheel. "Let's get out of here. Somebody called the police," he snapped, then swore as he noticed the window. She tried to explain, but he wheeled the car around roughly. For them the party was over.

Yet nothing could disturb Jordie now. She had seen divine Love totally command a human situation, and nothing could make her forget it. And the spiritual reality they'd talked about in all those Sunday School classes (sometimes she'd thought them terribly boring)—it was actually true about her and all others! No matter how absurd the mortal dream of life could get, she was very much in the heavenly kingdom; and since she'd never left it, she never actually needed a long struggle to return. How did Mrs. Eddy put it? "Pilgrim on earth, thy home is heaven; stranger, thou art the guest of God."²

"The guest of God!" As they drove back along the silent streets, Jordie suddenly realized that missing the graduation party didn't really matter to her anymore.

¹ Isa. 41:12, 13; ² *Science and Health*, p. 254.

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Testimonies of Christian Science Healing

Through Christian Science I am beginning to gain an understanding of God and of man's purpose as His idea. This means more to me than I can say. It gives life meaning and is a source of healing.

A couple of years ago it became very difficult to move about. Something in my abdominal area was out of place, and moving caused considerable strain. The healing of this condition did not come about quickly, but there was little discouragement, because it was evident to me that the praying and studying I was doing were giving me a better understanding of my real selfhood as God's idea.

As I studied the Bible and the writings of Mary Baker Eddy it became clearer to me that man's entire life proceeds from God. I began to see that divine Principle demands expression and that this expression is man. Step by step I was finding that this spiritual manhood was my own identity.

In order to accept this, though, many old ways of thinking about myself had to be discarded. There was a demand for greater purity, and I needed more patience and thoughtfulness. Christ Jesus' statement (John 5:30) "I can of mine own self do nothing" was acknowledged over and over in my own life. As I studied, I knew I was making progress in these areas.

One evening the physical condition became so uncomfortable I couldn't think clearly. So I called a Christian Science practitioner for help. I told him of the disorder, and he urged me not to believe it. Then he agreed to pray for me.

The statements made in these testimonies with regard to healings have been carefully verified. The original testimonies and their respective verifications are on file for reference with The Christian Science Publishing Society.—THE EDITORS.

As I pondered his instruction, it dawned on me that the condition was indeed unbelievable. The suggestion I was facing testified to a false concept of manhood I had outgrown. Through months of study I had found that every aspect and function of man's life is determined by God, the Principle of man's life. I'd learned that I was entirely responsive to God and to Him alone. Thinking about the physical disorder, I suddenly exclaimed, "That's not me!" At that moment the discomfort ceased. The next morning I told the practitioner the disorder had been corrected, and it has remained so.

In *Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures* Mrs. Eddy writes (p. 470), "Man is the expression of God's being." With every stage of progress in my understanding of Christian Science, the meaning of this statement becomes clearer. It has helped me understand the relationship between God and man; seeing that relationship blesses our condition morally and physically.

The most significant event in my life has been class instruction in Christian Science. It changed my life. The Bible and the writings of our Leader, Mrs. Eddy, were illumined, and I learned how to pray and how to heal. I began to see the enormous importance of church, and this instruction gave me convincing proof that the promises and assurances given by Christ Jesus are being fulfilled today. The Psalmist writes (Ps. 73:1), "Truly God is good to Israel," and so I have found.

I am grateful for the direction and purpose Christian Science has given my life, and I am glad to know that God continues to guard and guide us as we pray to serve Him better.

RICHARD C. BERGENHEIM
New York, New York



I've always had this priceless Science of Christ to turn to. When I was a child, my mother was healed of migraine headaches, and my father was healed of heart trouble. My mother remained a faithful student of this Science until her passing, long after it was thought that she would not live a full life. We children were taught by Mother to look to God as our true

Father-Mother and never doubt that He would supply us with all we needed.

Mother, two sisters, two cousins, an aunt, and I became charter members of a branch Church of Christ, Scientist. In the beginning, business meetings were held in our home, and the first officers were elected there. So we were convinced that we were indeed pillars of that church! And I suppose everyone who was a charter member felt the same.

A wonderful healing occurred about two months after I had Christian Science class instruction. By then I had married, and my little daughter, who was around seven, became very ill with an apparent respiratory problem. I knew that class instruction had given me the tools to handle the situation. But as I felt the need for help in meeting the case quickly, I called a practitioner, who prayed for the child.

One night, when I was still quite fearful, I picked up *Science and Health* by our Leader, Mrs. Eddy, and turned to the Tenets of Christian Science on page 497. The first one is: "As adherents of Truth, we take the inspired Word of the Bible as our sufficient guide to eternal Life." After reading this I paused and asked myself if I really did "take the inspired Word of the Bible as our sufficient guide to eternal Life." Without hesitation I assented that I did.

Then I proceeded to the next tenet, which states: "We acknowledge and adore one supreme and infinite God. We acknowledge His Son, one Christ; the Holy Ghost or divine Comforter; and man in God's image and likeness." When I came to the last part of this tenet—"and man in God's image and likeness"—I asked myself if I really did acknowledge man as the image and likeness of God. My answer was firm and sure, "Oh, yes!" These questions quickly followed: "Then, why are you so frightened for your child? If she is truly God's image and likeness—and she is—what are you afraid of? Do you really acknowledge 'man in God's image and likeness'?" The answer was an unequivocal "Yes!"

With that I felt free from fear and confident of God's healing power. I turned out the light and had a good night's sleep—my first in three or four nights. The next morning a happy, smiling

little girl woke me. My daughter was completely free, and there was no period of convalescence. This healing has stood out to me as proof of what Mrs. Eddy tells us on page 412 of *Science and Health*: "If the case is that of a young child or an infant, it needs to be met mainly through the parent's thought, silently or audibly on the aforesaid basis of Christian Science."

(Mrs.) JANE S. ELIZA
Chicago, Illinois



For over sixty years I have been an enthusiastic student of Christian Science. At first I accepted this teaching on faith alone—wholeheartedly willing to believe that a fuller understanding would come as I studied and endeavored to live this truth. When it came, I found I was even more grateful for the spiritual enlightenment than for the physical healings that naturally followed. Truth is continually revealed to us in proportion to our spiritual-mindedness, and divine Love is ever ready to help us when we are sincerely seeking the truth that heals.

Two years ago, while I was out walking on a rainy day, I slipped and fell. Unable to move my arm, I lay still for an instant, trying to realize that there are no accidents in divine Mind. A passing gentleman picked me up and noted at once that my dangling arm was broken. He strongly insisted on taking me for an X-ray, which revealed a "bad break"—completely severed and off-center. The X-ray technicians warned that the arm must be set immediately or there was no chance the broken bone would knit properly, especially since I am an octogenarian. But I said, "No, thank you! I am a Christian Scientist. I believe in the power of prayer, and have 'an absolute faith that all things are possible to God'!"* They respected my wishes, but to keep the arm from dangling, they gave me a simple sling, which I wore for a while.

I frequently pondered these words of Mrs. Eddy's (*Science and Health*, p. 475): "Man is not matter; he is not made up of brain, blood, bones, and other material elements." And further on the same page she says, "Man is idea, the image, of Love; he is not

physique.” With the prayer of a Christian Science practitioner, I was soon able to perform my normal duties free from pain or discomfort. The arm healed beautifully, and I was so grateful to God for His efficacious love and care.

I am profoundly thankful to our dear Father for sending us Christ Jesus, our wonderful Way-shower; and for our beloved Leader, Mrs. Eddy, author of *Science and Health*, which reveals the precious healing truth.

More recently, as I was reclining on the sofa reading, I was suddenly seized with severe chest pains. I had just moved into this apartment and was alone with no telephone. I tried to realize that God is ever present and that He is “our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble” (Ps. 46:1). I also thought of Mrs. Eddy’s poem, “The Mother’s Evening Prayer.” The first verse reads (*Poems*, p. 4):

O gentle presence, peace and joy and power;
 O Life divine, that owns each waiting hour,
 Thou Love that guards the nestling’s faltering flight!
 Keep Thou my child on upward wing tonight.

However, the pain was so severe that I could scarcely breathe. I recalled these words from *Science and Health* (p. 454): “Love inspires, illumines, designates, and leads the way.” I was then able to walk a few steps to the elevator and reach the manager’s apartment to use her telephone. I declined her urgent offer to take me immediately to a hospital and expressed my wish to have the help of a Christian Science practitioner.

After the practitioner was contacted, the severe chest pains soon diminished. She had vigorously assured me that God, divine Love, held me in His embrace, where nothing could harm me. By the second night, I could breathe freely, without pain. And the next morning I fairly shouted, “Glory be to God! I am perfectly healed!” My gratitude was immeasurable.

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*Editors’ Note: These words are from the opening chapter of *Science and Health* (p. 1): “The prayer that reforms the sinner and heals the sick is an absolute faith that all things are possible to God,—a spiritual understanding of Him, an unselfed love.”

[Original in Spanish]

I am very grateful for having come to know Christian Science, which I first found on June 20, 1976, in a branch church.

My sincere gratitude goes to Mrs. Eddy for acquainting humanity with divine revelation in her marvelous book *Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures*. I am very happy to be studying this revelation of God's allness.

I was very little when Papa died. Mama, for grief at being alone, became ill. Anguish, loneliness, and misery manifested themselves in the atmosphere and, with time, in our lives. I in particular began to search for a way out of the difficulties that I somehow felt did not belong to us. There were many years of waiting.

One day when sadness had taken hold of me, I had a phone call from a friend. Although we were no longer in close touch, she remembered what I was searching for. When she came to my apartment, I was reading a book on psychiatry. She said to me, "Look! I've found what we were searching for." She showed me the book *Science and Health*. I told my friend to leave the book over there, and as soon as I finished the book I was reading I would begin the one she had brought me. Then she said that she couldn't leave it for me but would tell me how to obtain a copy for myself, for she was studying her own and also the Bible Lessons in the *Christian Science Quarterly*.

And so I, too, obtained a Bible and a copy of *Science and Health*. I began to study the Bible Lessons and to notice that everything was changing in my home; the problems there had been resolved. Now, as I understand more, I put off beliefs of materiality and give more credence to Spirit, God. I often remember a sentence from *Science and Health*, especially the last part (p. 469), "We bury the sense of infinitude, when we admit that, although God is infinite, evil has a place in this infinity, for evil can have no place, where all space is filled with God." I learned that to see that "evil can have no place, where all space is filled with God" is to shut the door on aggressive suggestions.

The demonstrations of God's power that I have had are marvelous and take place daily. Among them I will mention a few that have been instantaneous: When my daughter's baby

was fourteen months old, he had symptoms of grippe, fever, diarrhea, and a cough on various occasions. He was healed quickly when we acknowledged his true sonship, pure and perfect; with his Father-Mother God.

Thank you, Father, for the help of the Christian Science practitioner, which has been so important to our progress. With much tenderness she has showed us how to take firm steps, helping us to rely on divine Truth, Life, and Love. I feel so much gratitude to God for a healing of my own. I was healed of an illness that did not permit me to walk. There was inflammation in my legs, and throughout my body. I felt intense pains that at times seemed unbearable; there was no way I could rest. Now I remember this as rain that has passed away, thanks to Christian Science. I feel so happy that I begin each day now by singing praise to God.

(Mrs.) GUADALUPE T. DE CAMACHO
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My heart is filled with gratitude for the many blessings and healings that have come to me through the study and application of Christian Science. I remember clearly one healing I had several years ago. It was in the middle of the night when I was awakened by the rain pouring down. I realized I had better get the dining table and chairs under shelter so they would not get wet. I didn't want to wake up anyone else, as I thought I could handle it myself. I pulled the chairs aside first, then the table, which was very heavy. I managed until I let go of one side of the table, not realizing that I still had my foot under it. When I did let go, the foot of the table fell on my toe. The pain was great. All I could say was the word "No!" This was a denial that an accident could take place in God's allness. I was able to get my foot out from under the table, and I refused to look at my toe. Instead I tried to spiritualize my thoughts.

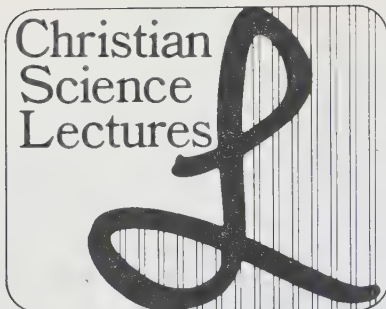
I remembered "the scientific statement of being" (*Science and Health* by Mrs. Eddy, p. 468), which includes these words: "All is infinite Mind and its infinite manifestation, for God is All-in-

all.” My foot was beginning to swell. I was afraid I wouldn’t be able to walk or even make it to the office in the morning. I remembered a healing a practitioner had had when hot water had been spilled over her legs. So I got up and started walking, while still clinging steadfastly to the truth of “the scientific statement of being,” until I felt no pain. I went back to bed and fell sound asleep. The next morning when I got up, the pain had completely vanished. I went to the office as usual. I refused to look at the foot but just held to the truth.

Two days later, someone happened to notice my toe and said to me astonishedly, “My goodness, what happened to your toe? It looks bad!” Shocked to hear what she had said, and since I myself hadn’t even looked at my toe since the incident had occurred, I looked at it. Yes, it really was a sight; it didn’t resemble a toe anymore. She was right, but suddenly I realized I had to refuse to listen to what mortal mind had to say. I must trust in God completely and accept the real facts of my true selfhood. After this realization, I forgot completely about my toe. I think at that moment my healing took place. One day when I was going to cut my nails, I found that I had a perfectly normal toe and that I had had a complete healing.

It is a real joy to realize that all things are possible with God, that if we hold steadfastly to the truth and put our complete trust in God, we are able to overcome any kind of difficulty we seem to be in. I am truly grateful to God for Christ Jesus, the Way-shower; for Mrs. Eddy, our Leader; and also for Christian Science class instruction.

(Miss) JENNY BINOL
Jakarta, Indonesia



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CANADA AND UNITED STATES

(Week of June 24 to 30, some earlier dates and a later date)

CANADA

BRITISH COLUMBIA—Richmond (Fourth, Vancouver): South Arm United Church, 11051 Third rd, 8pm‡, Mon, June 25, "Get Your Life in Balance" (Driver)

UNITED STATES

CALIFORNIA—San Mateo (First): College of San Mateo Theatre, 1700 W Hillsdale blv, 3pm‡, Sun, June 24, "Ageless Youth" (Driver)

Visalia: Church, 2150 W Main st, 8pm‡, Fri, June 29, "Claim Your Real Inheritance" (Tuttle)

CONNECTICUT—Danbury: Rogers Park Jr High School, S Main st, 3.30pm‡, Sun, June 24, "More than a Superstar" (Aghamalian)

FLORIDA—Hollywood (First): Church, 1542 Harrison st, 8pm‡, Thurs, June 28, "Life Without Lack" (Mondino)

Jacksonville Beach: Bicentennial Flag Pavilion, 101 N 2d st, 3pm‡, Sun, July 1, "Quit Conspiring Against Yourself!" (Leever)

Stuart: Church, 515 E Ocean blv, 8pm‡, Mon, June 25, "Life Without Lack" (Mondino)

West Palm Beach: Church, Flagler and Okeechobee blv, 8pm‡, Tues, June 26, "Do You Need a Change of Heart?" (Mondino)

ILLINOIS—Barrington: Church, 421 E Main st, 8pm‡, Mon, June 25, "Spiritual Power and Its Application" (Correll)

Chicago (Nineteenth): Church, 4115 N Kedvale, 3.30pm‡, Sun, June 24, "There's Only One Real Ego" (Correll)

Kankakee: Church, 240 S Chicago av, 7.30pm, Sat, June 30, "A New Beginning" (Jenks)

Park Ridge: Church, 330 Touhy av, 8pm‡, Tues, June 26, "God, You, and the Kingdom of Heaven" (Pickett)

Rock Island: Church lawn, 7th av and 22d st, 7.30pm‡, Thurs, June 28, "Something to Depend On" (Jenks)

Urbana: Holiday Inn-Urbana, 505 N Cunningham, 7pm‡, Sun, June 24, "The Search for Life" (McGrew)

INDIANA—Fort Wayne: Church, 2410 Fairfield av, 8pm‡, Tues, June 26, "There's Only One Real Ego" (Correll)

KANSAS—Mission-Prairie Village: Church, 3920 W 63d st, 3pm‡, Sun, June 24, "A New Beginning" (Jenks)

Pittsburg: Church, 307 E Madison st, 8pm, Mon, June 25, "A New Beginning" (Jenks)

MAINE—Belfast: Church, Old Searsport av, 3pm‡, Sun, June 24, "God, You, and the Kingdom of Heaven" (Pickett)

Damariscotta: Church, Water st, 3pm‡, Sun, June 10, "Quit Conspiring Against Yourself!" (Leever)

MARYLAND—Bethesda (First, Chevy Chase): Walter Johnson High School, 6400 Rock Spring dr, 8pm‡, Tues, June 19, "Have You Found Yourself?" (Alton)

MINNESOTA—Chanhassen (First, Excelsior): Bronco Opera House, 1.30pm, Sat, June 30, "God, You, and the Kingdom of Heaven" (Pickett)

NEW HAMPSHIRE—Amherst (First, Milford): Congregational Church on the Green, Church st, 8pm‡, Thurs, June 28, "Are You Looking in the Right Direction?" (Rivas)

NEW JERSEY—Newark: Church, 475 Mt Prospect av, 3pm‡, Sat, June 30, "Are You Looking in the Right Direction?" (Rivas)

NEW JERSEY (continued)

Ridgewood: Church, 305 Godwin av, 8.30pm±, Thurs, June 28, "Diana or Christ?" (Aghamalian)

NEW YORK—Bronx (Fifteenth): Church, 1949 Cross Bronx Expressway, 3.30pm, Sat, June 23, "Diana or Christ?" (Aghamalian)

Port Jervis: Church, 20 E Main st, 8pm, Tues, June 26, "Diana or Christ?" (Aghamalian)

Southampton: Church, Cameron and Pine sts, 3pm±, Sat, June 30, "More than a Superstar" (Aghamalian)

OHIO—Brecksville: Church, 10909 Chippewa rd, 8pm±, Fri, June 29, "There's Only One Real Ego" (Correll)

Cincinnati (First): Moonlite Pavilion, Old Coney, 6201 Kellogg av, (Rte 52, E), 8pm±, Thurs, June 21, "Something to Depend On" (Jenks)

Cleveland (Eighth): Fourth Church of Christ, Scientist, 10515 Chester av, 8pm±, Thurs, June 28, "Spiritual Power and Its Application" (Correll)

Lakewood: Church, 15422 Detroit av, 8pm±, Mon, June 25, "God, You, and the Kingdom of Heaven" (Pickett)

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